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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.17 (a)

Sir:

The Applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed May 22, 2003 in which a three-month period for response was set to expire on August 22, 2002. After granting the request for a three-month extension of time, the response period will expire on November 22, 2003.

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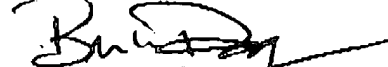

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Please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1696 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the three-month extension fee.

No other fees are believed necessary, however if additional fees are required please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1696.

Respectfully submitted,



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